HOUSE RESOLUTION 302 By Naifeh

A RESOLUTION to elect Mr. Richard A. Fisher to the nominating commission to select candidates for the Director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-101(b)(3), requires the appointment of a five (5) member nominating commission to select three (3) candidates to submit to the Governor for the position of Director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-101(b)(3)(B), requires the Speaker of the House of Representatives to nominate two (2) members to serve on the commission, with full election to be made by the House of Representatives by adoption of a resolution; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-101(b)(3), provides that the Director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation "shall be a person of experience and ability in the detection of crime and shall be appointed to a six (6) year fixed term of office by the governor from a list of three (3) nominees submitted to him by a nominating commission"; and

WHEREAS, Speaker of the House of Representatives Jimmy Naifeh hereby nominates Richard A. Fisher of Cleveland to serve a six (6) year term on the nominating commission to select candidates for the Director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation; and

WHEREAS, a native of Covington, Tennessee, Richard A. Fisher is a former member of the General Assembly who presently practices law in Cleveland, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fisher has thirty-nine (39) years of experience in litigating cases, having participated as lead counsel in more than 400 trials; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fisher served astutely as Assistant District Attorney General for the 20th Judicial District for eight (8) years and as District Attorney General for the 10th Judicial District for ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS, he is a former member of the Rules Commission of the Tennessee
Supreme Court and served two (2) terms on the Tennessee Board of Professional
Responsibility as Chair; and

WHEREAS, Richard A. Fisher has served Tennessee's judicial and criminal justice systems with distinction in various capacities, and he is a man of integrity and a responsible citizen who has always sought to serve the common good; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that this Legislative Body does hereby elect Richard A. Fisher of Cleveland to serve as a member of the nominating commission to select candidates for the Director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation for a six (6) year term that will expire on January 1, 2010.

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